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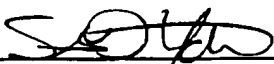
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present U.S. Patent application as amended herein.

Claims 12, 15, 21, and 22 have been allowed. To allow them to pass to issuance, claims 1-11, 13-14, and 16-20 have been cancelled. New claims 23 and 24 have been added and correspond to medium claims (e.g., Beauregard type claims) corresponding to allowed claims 21 and 22. Claims 23 and 24 recite the same limitations as allowed claims 21 and 22.

Applicants submit claims 12, 15, 21, 22, 23 and 24 are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if such contact would further the examination of the present application. Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account number 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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